Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 3 2019

RE: S.C.R. No. 23

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 23 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW HAWAII'S CURRENT VOTER EDUCATION SYSTEM AND PROPOSE IMPROVEMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the Legislative Reference Bureau establish a task force to review Hawaii's current voter education system and propose improvements in reports to the Legislature.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Elections, League of Women Voters of Hawaii, and two individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Disability and Communication Access Board and Legislative Reference Bureau.

Your Committee finds that insufficient voter education is a significant factor that contributes to poor citizen engagement in Hawaii, including low voter turnout at elections. Accordingly, your Committee finds that the State should explore the best ways to provide appropriate voter education to its residents.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 23 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:		
SCR 23	JDC, WAM		4/1/19			
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (W	R)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		X				
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)		X				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani						X
HARIMOTO, Breene						X
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		×	1			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i						X
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		X				
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X				
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.		X				
RIVIERE, Gil		X				
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.		X				
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.						X
FEVELLA, Kurt		X				
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TOTAL		9			, <u></u>	4
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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